

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1           1.     A method for modifying an index of fleet devices, the method  
2 comprising:  
3               (a)     discovering a modification action for the index;  
4               (b)     discovering a fleet device for modification in the index; and,  
5               (c)     implementing the modification action in the index.

1           2.     The method of claim 1 wherein the modification action includes  
2 removal of the fleet device from the index.

1           3.     The method of claim 2 wherein removal of the fleet device includes  
2 capturing final usage data for the fleet device.

1           4.     The method of claim 2 wherein removal of the fleet device includes  
2 identifying the fleet device as removed.

1           5.     The method of claim 1 wherein the modification action includes  
2 addition of the fleet device to the index.

1           6.     The method of claim 5 wherein addition of the fleet device includes  
2 verifying the fleet device has a unique identifier.

1           7.     The method of claim 5 wherein addition of the fleet device includes  
2 creating a record for the fleet device in the index.

1           8.     The method of claim 5 wherein addition of the fleet device includes  
2 collecting initial usage data for the fleet device.

1           9.     A system for modifying an index of fleet devices, the system  
2 comprising:  
3                 (a)     an action investigator configured to discover a modification  
4 action for the index;  
5                 (b)     a device investigator configured to discover a fleet device  
6 for modification in the index; and,  
7                 (c)     an executor configured to implement the modification action  
8 in the index.

1           10.    The system of claim 9 wherein the modification action includes  
2 removal of the fleet device from the index and further including a remover  
3 configured to remove the fleet device from the index.

1           11.    The system of claim 10 wherein the remover includes a retriever  
2 configured to capture final usage data for the fleet device.

1           12.    The system of claim 10 wherein the remover includes a labeler  
2 configured to identify the fleet device as removed.

1           13.    The system of claim 9 wherein the modification action includes  
2 addition of the fleet device to the index and further including an inserter  
3 configured to add the fleet device to the index.

1           14.    The system of claim 13 wherein the inserter includes an examiner  
2 configured to verify the fleet device has a unique identifier.

1           15.    The system of claim 13 wherein the inserter includes a creator  
2 configured to create a record for the fleet device in the index.

1           16.    The system of claim 13 wherein the inserter includes a collector  
2 configured to collect initial usage data for the fleet device.

1           17.    A program storage device readable by a computer, tangibly  
2 embodying a program, applet, or instructions executable by the computer to  
3 perform method steps for modifying an index of fleet devices, the method steps  
4 comprising:

- 5                   (a)    discovering a modification action for the index;  
6                   (b)    discovering a fleet device for modification in the index; and,  
7                   (c)    implementing the modification action in the index.

1           18.    The program storage device of claim 15 wherein the modification  
2 action includes removal of the fleet device from the index.

1           19.    The program storage device of claim 15 wherein the modification  
2 action includes addition of the fleet device to the index.